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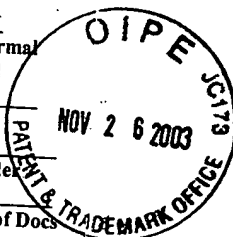
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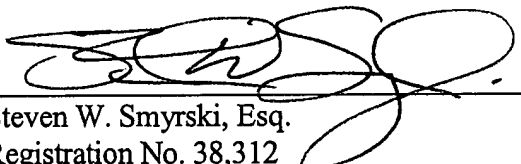
As shown in the attached Decision on Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment, the errant Notice of Abandonment issued in this case was vacated on February 7, 2003, the holding of abandonment withdrawn, and the application restored to pending status on that date.

Since the Decision was rendered over nine months ago, Applicants have received no word on the present application. The application was to have been forwarded to the examiner for prompt appropriate action, including consideration of the amendment filed on June 1, 2001.

Applicants respectfully request a status of the present matter and an identification of a time period when an Office Action or Notice of Allowance may be expected.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: November 20, 2003


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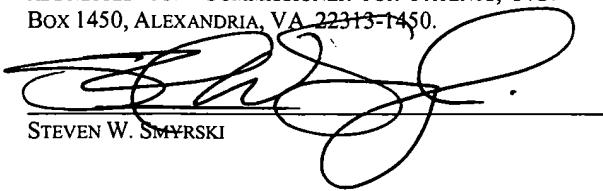
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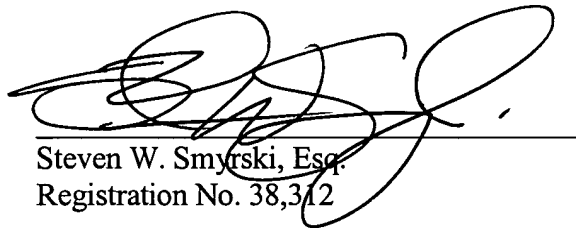
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